

The Board of Education of Victoria Unified School District No. 432 met in Regular Session at the District Office on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
<u>Matt Orr</u>	<u></u>
<u>Haley Gagnon</u>	<u></u>
<u>Terry Dinkel</u>	<u></u>
<u>Connie Braun</u>	<u></u>
<u>Brenton Hoffman</u>	<u></u>
<u>Jennifer Berens</u>	<u></u>
<u>Shanna Dinkel</u>	<u></u>

Superintendent: Roger Perkins

Principal: Deena Clark – VES, Amber Deutscher - VJSHS

Others Present: Sean Rodger, Peggy Wohler, Josh Pemberton

President Matt Orr called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**AGENDA – MOTION** -- A motion was made by Brenton Hoffman to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Connie Braun. Motion carried 7-0.

**OPEN FORUM** – Sean Rodger gave an update to the Board on the pickleball court. They have received a \$3,000 grant from the Heartland Community Foundation and are writing another for the Patterson Foundation. Currently, they are looking to install the court in June. He said that they possibly could relocate the current volleyball court and use that area for the pickleball court. He also mentioned that the basketball goals that are in the tin gym; they would like to move them into the elementary gym.

**PRINCIPAL REPORTS** -- Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Deutscher recognized various staff members. Mrs. Clark reported that our KESA action plan was approved. Lily Karlin, Maverick Scherrer, Michael Schippers and Danny Clark will be representing VES at the spelling bee in Hays on February 9. Mrs. Deutscher reported that the sound system in the gym is complete. Hadley

Lichter will be representing Victoria Junior Senior High as the VP of Membership for our FCCLA District B. Candidates for Snowball are: Emma Dinkel, Shelby Dorzweiler, Haley Anderson, Wyatt Schmidtberger, Cody Schmidtberger and Kyle Huser. Kyle Huser was also selected to play in the Shrine Bowl on June 27.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** – Mr. Perkins reviewed the sub-state tournament sites since the boys and girls are in different divisions. He shared an updated capital outlay plan based on the previous plan. He stated that he believes the track is a liability currently and does not feel we should have track meets based on this. He has done some checking with the company that resurfaced our track in 2010, United Sports Systems, and they gave us some options. We can replace the entire track for \$700,000 or take the top layer off and replace it for \$135,000. They will come in and fix the cracks for the season once we sign a contract which will get us by for this track season. Mr. Perkins feels we should get a feasibility study done on our buildings; the Board agreed and gave the go ahead for Mr. Perkins to look into getting this done.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA-MOTION** – A motion was made by Shanna Dinkel to accept the consent agenda presented below, seconded by Connie Braun. Motion carried 7-0.

1. Approve the minutes from the January 12, 2026 regular board meeting.
2. Approve the financial reports and payment of the bills for February.
3. Employ certified teacher Jessica Lang as 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher effective August 3.
4. Employ student teacher Brooklyn Nowak as 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher effective August 3.
5. Employ student teacher Goldie Dohe as 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher effective August 3.

**CALENDAR FOR 2026–27 - MOTION**—Three calendars were presented to faculty and staff.

Mr. Perkins is recommending that the Board adopts calendar 2 as presented for the 2026-27 school year. The maximum number of days required by the negotiated agreement is scheduled on the proposed calendar. Sufficient hours have been scheduled to surpass the minimum hours required to maintain Kansas State Department of Education accreditation. A motion was made by Shanna Dinkel to adopt calendar 2 as presented for the 2026-27 school year, seconded by Terry Dinkel. Motion carried 7-0.

**KASB POLICY UPDATES** – The recommended policy updates were presented to the Board for review. Shanna Dinkel recommended taking out the first line under Approved Use of AI in the IIBE policy as we will not set an approved list.

**MOTION** – A motion was made by Haley Gagnon to approve the policy recommendations set forth from the Kansas Association of School Boards as presented to include the recommended changes, seconded by Shanna Dinkel. Motion carried 7-0.

**NEGOTIATIONS – MOTION 6:55 P.M.** – A motion was made by Connie Braun to enter into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations in order to protect the district’s right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and the public interest, and include Mr. Perkins in the discussion, and return to open session at 7:00 P.M.; seconded by Terry Dinkel. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board and Mr. Perkins returned at 7:04 P.M.

No action was taken in executive session.

**STUDENT MATTERS – MOTION 7:06 P.M.** -- A motion was made by Haley Gagnon to enter into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss matters related to student matters in order to protect the privacy right of an identifiable person and to return to regular session at 7:21 P.M., and allow Mr. Perkins to participate in the session; seconded by Connie Braun. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board and Mr. Perkins returned at 7:23 P.M.

No action was taken in executive session.

**MOTION** – A motion was made by Shanna Dinkel to approve the virtual program through Smoky Hill for the 2026-27 school year, seconded by Terry Dinkel. Motion carried 7-0.

**PERSONNEL - MOTION 7:26 P.M.** — A motion was made by Jennifer Berens to enter into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy rights of an identifiable person and to return to regular session at 7:36 P.M.,

and allow Mr. Perkins and Mrs. Deutscher to participate in the session; seconded by Haley Gagnon. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board, Mr. Perkins and Mrs. Deutscher returned at 7:42 P.M.

No Action was taken in executive session.

Shanna Dinkel left the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

**PRINCIPALS' CONTRACT - MOTION – 7:42 P.M.** – A motion was made by Connie Braun to enter into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters related to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy rights of an identifiable person and to return to regular session at 7:52 P.M., and allow Mr. Perkins to participate in the session; seconded by Haley Gagnon.

Motion carried 6-0.

The Board and Mr. Perkins returned at 7:53 P.M.

No action was taken in executive session.

**MOTION**—A motion was made by Connie Braun to add an additional year to the principals' contracts with salary to be determined at a later date, seconded by Haley Gagnon. Motion carried 6-0.

**OPEN FORUM**—There were no questions from visitors.

**BOARD COMMENTS**—Connie wished FCCLA good luck at their STAR events and congratulated Hadley Lichter. Terry brought up the asphalt behind the grade school being bad. There was a short discussion going back to the track proposals. The Board would like Mr. Perkins to call and see how long the crack sealing will last as to make sure we do it late enough to last through all the track meets.

**MOTION** – A motion was made by Connie Braun to enter into a contract with United Sports Systems for \$135,000 to replace the top layer of the track with the 5 year guarantee, seconded by Terry Dinkel. Motion carried 6-0.

**MOTION**—A motion was made by Haley Gagnon to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Connie Braun. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

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Melissa Schmidt, Clerk